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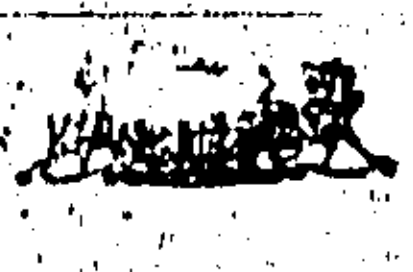
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PENNY-A-WORD TELEGRAMS.
Thirty years have passed since that sturdy pioneer of the principle of linking up the Empire by the introduction of cheap postal service and cheap low telegraph rates, Mr. Henniker Heaton, contended for a uniform penny postage between the old country and the colonies and now having in the face of the greatest opposition realised that dream he is the foremost advocate of penny-a-word telegrams throughout the Empire. In a slashing speech delivered in the presence of a distinguished audience at the Royal Colonial Institute, Mr. Henniker Heaton enunciated those views which have brought him fame and renown wherever the English language is spoken and have gained for him the affectionate regard of many a poor exile whose relatives at home often found it a heavy burden to meet the cost of regular communication with the exiles. Those who pretended to know declared that imperial penny postage was impracticable, but the postman came into operation on Christmas Day, 1898, and the British Government has not lost a farthing by it. Now that the success of the first scheme has been demonstrated, the upholder of cheap telegrams is pressing forward towards the end he originally had in view and none will maintain that his purpose will not one day be achieved even in spite of the ridicule and opposition of the cable companies. When Mr. Henniker Heaton advocated the construction of a cable from the Cape of Good Hope to Australia in 1887, Sir James Anderson speaking on behalf of the Eastern Telegraph

Company deemed the notion impossible, remarking:—"There is some talk of taking a cable all the way from Australia to Mauritius across the route of the trade winds to the Cape. There is not even a sandbank on which to catch fish. There is not a port to which a cruiser or a cable-ship can go to replenish their supply of coal, which they are certain to require to do. There are no ships going there. There is no trade, and nobody wants to go there." Yet in 1901—only fourteen years later—the Company finished the construction of that very cable and in addition laid a line to Australia via Fiji from Canada. The present scheme is subjected to the identical cry of "absurd" as that used in the early days of reform, and from the same quarter, but when practical men see the rising powers of wireless telegraphy, they can scarcely doubt the feasibility of the proposal. As Mr. Heaton said "If the Government of the Island Continent [Australia] can enable its people to send a telegram from the enormous distance of 3,800 miles through the wastes and wildernesses for a penny a word, or twelve words for a shilling, what is there to prevent us sending a telegram from London to India by land at the same rate?" From St. Petersburg to Vladivostok, a distance of over 6,000 miles, it is possible to send a message for less than fourpence a word. The first which Mr. Heaton suggests should be taken towards the realisation of his ideal is that "for the first time in the history of the British Empire the British Postmaster-General and the Postmaster-General of all the Colonies and India should meet in London to deal with the few problems involved, and the Home and Colonial Governments should offer to construct land lines, and when necessary cables, to the various portions of the Empire on the route to our possessions beyond the seas." He argues that the money expended in cabling to London, and the money the British Government expends in cabling to the Colonies and Dependencies, amounts to a sum sufficient to pay the interest on all the cables and the land lines they desire to acquire. With the official expenditure of the High Commissioners, of the Agents-General, also of the representatives of India and of what are generally known as the Crown Colonies of the Dominions Beyond the Seas, and the enormous sums spent by the British Government in communicating with the Colonies, and with naval and military forces, there would be a sum more than sufficient to pay the interest on these lines. Some remarkable figures were given by Mr. Heaton regarding the costs of cabling from Great Britain to her possessions. It appears that the British Government alone pays steamship companies for mail transport about £700,000 per annum; but the inhabitants also pay £5,000,000 per annum for cabling, of which £1,000,000 goes for American cables. "We pay £1,000 a day to cable to Australia; we pay £1,000 a day to cable to India; we pay £1,000 a day to cable to South Africa; we pay £1,000 a day to cable to China, and the East; we pay £1,000,000 a year to cable to the United States of America. The Governments of the world pay an enormous sum at present for cabling messages. In regard to the cables to India and the East, and to America, including the Canadian service, we are in the present high cable charges paying for abandoned cables, for superfluous cables, and also for unnecessary working staff and apparatus. In other words, the public is paying £4,000,000 a year for what could be supplied for £130,000. In fact, if we were to wipe out or destroy our present cable service it would be possible to reconstruct the whole system anew for less than half the original outlay." As regards the question whether the cables could cope with the rush if a popular rate were established it is stated that the marvelous "Pollak-Virag" system has met this difficulty; by its means an increase of messages of eight times the number of messages can be sent on any wire at about a third of the present cost. The "Pollak-Virag" system can send forty thousand words an hour from London to Paris; this means that they could, by wireless telegraphy or by six wires of land lines, telegraph to the continent of Europe in one week the whole of the messages now sent in a year. Mr. Marconi, who was present at the meeting at which Mr. Henniker Heaton spoke on this question said: "You may ask whether it will be possible, by means of wireless telegraphy, to have a reliable service at a word between England and Canada. I would answer that this will certainly become possible in time, and that at present a rate of only 2½d. per word is being charged for Press and Government messages. From a technical point of view the possibility of low rates, whether by cables or by wireless, resolves itself to the question of the speed at which it is possible to work each circuit, and any invention, such as that of "Pollak-Virag," if applicable to cables for long distance wireless, can only result in furthering the possibility of cheap rates." Mr. G. R. Nelson, speaking from the telegraph companies' point of view, ridiculed the idea of penny-a-word telegrams, but the rest of the members of the Institute, including Lord Strathcona, were firmly of Mr. Henniker Heaton's view, and we can only trust that the roseate vision will become an actual fact within the term of this century.

tion—Whether the cheaper telegrams come by the cables owned by the telegraph companies or by wireless is immaterial to the majority of people so long as they come and can be despatched at the lowest rate possible.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.
We have received a calendar from the Standard Life Assurance Co.

STRIKING a man over the face with a fighting iron chain, was the charge preferred against Chang Sik Chun in the Police Court, this morning. Defendant pleaded not guilty, and the case was remanded.

DURING the absence of Inspector McHardy, who left for the homeland last week on leave, Inspector Dymond has been placed in charge of the Yau-ma-tei district. Sergeant Sim has charge of Aberdeen Police Station.

FUNG Wai, a coolie, of 2, Ezra Lane, was found in possession, yesterday, of ninety-six ingots of lead, which are alleged to have been stolen. Fung could not explain from where he obtained the metal, and he was remanded.

IN view of the gradual decrease of opium duties, the Comptroller General of the Customs have been conferred on the matter and have proposed to raise the duties on all luxuries in order to make up the deficiency, without, however, laying any burden upon the poorer classes.

TWO unemployed coolies were remanded in the Police Court this morning for theft. They were alleged to have stolen from U Sia 1, a shawl, residing at 10, On Tai Street, a quantity of clothing, a watch, and \$7.50 in cash. Altogether the haul was worth \$16.50. They both pleaded not guilty to the charge.

A COMMUNICATION from the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, published in the Shanghai Municipal Gazette, informs the Council that the Japan Cotton Spinners' Association has decided to discontinue the issue of lottery tickets with bales of yarn from and after December 31, a conclusion which is regarded as satisfactory.

TWO Shanghai acrobats, who were amusing a crowd of about 700 on the Pokfulam Road yesterday afternoon, were arrested by Sergeant Brennan on a charge of causing an obstruction, and in the Police Court, to-day, they were each bound over in the sum of \$12 to be of good behaviour for three months. More prosecutions of this sort are expected.

PRINCE Tsai Tao and Yu-Lang and President Tieh Liang have memorialized the Throne on the constitution of the Imperial Body-guard. The force will be composed of 1,200 men and officers; the latter will be appointed from the Upper Three Bannets, the two Wings, and recommended by the Imperial Clan Court and the Nobles' School.

THE Governor of Anhwei has received a report from the Police Commissioner on the Opium question. It shows that there is now no opium grown in any part of that province, that there are 4130 opium smokers in the provincial capital and that opium to the value of Tls. 2,300,000 has been consumed during the current year as compared with Tls. 2,900,000 in the last year.

THE Grand Council has sent telegrams to the different provinces informing the authorities that though they may, at discretion, appoint foreign advisers in matters such as laws, finance, industry, education and military, to assist them in carrying out the necessary reforms within the nine years before the granting of a constitution, they should be particularly to stipulate with such advisers against their interference in affairs outside of their special work.

THE Ministry of War is examining the archives of the defunct Naval Board, in existence before the China-Japanese war and the record of officials in connection therewith, to facilitate the organization of the Board of Admiralty next year. In this connection Prince Tsai Tse, President of the Ministry of Finance, has made out statements of naval expenditure for the Langkiang, Liangkwan, Liangho, Fukien and Chekiang provinces for the year and submit them for the Regent's perusal.

ACCORDING to a Tientsin dispatch, Government sanction has been obtained for the formation of a Transportation Company for the Tientsin-Pukou Railway. Each province concerned will subscribe Tls. 1,200,000 paid-up capital. The company's business will be insurance of goods, payment of duties and remitting money by draft along the line. The company has acquired a plot of land measuring over fifty mow outside the west gate of the city for its godown, building operations on which will be commenced in the next moon next year. The company is registered at the Ministry of Agriculture, Industry and Commerce and its regulations are similar to those of the China Merchants S. N. Co.

AS Lam Sing stepped out of the Victoria Gaol this morning, having served a term of twelve months' hard labour for attacking Police Sergeant Fowler (now on leave) on the Shau-ki-wan Road, he was arrested and taken to the Police Court, to answer a charge of returning from banishment. Lam was deported in November, 1906, for a term of five years. He, however, returned in the following year—to be found entering a strange house on the Shau-ki-wan Road. Sergeant Fowler caught him as he was rushing out of the building, being pursued by the occupants. Lam, during the struggle, produced a knife and stabbed the policeman on the hand. At the time he was not identified as a prisoner in the Colony, and it was not till this morning, when his fingerprints were being taken, that Sergeant Fowler placed him under arrest. The magistrate (Mr. J. H. Kemp) discharged the case, as, in any event, Lam is to be deported again.

The Opium Question.
ARTICLE ON THE POPPY.
MR. C. CLEMENTI'S LATEST VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION.
Mr. C. Clementi, Hongkong's representative to the forthcoming Opium Conference at Shanghai, has added another very valuable contribution to the literature on the opium question. It is in the form of a blue book of 31 closely-printed foolscap pages, entitled "Article on the Poppy from the Compendium of Literature and Illustrations, Ancient and Modern," original text translated with introduction and notes by C. Clementi, Assistant Colonial Secretary, Hongkong. The author's scholarly attainments and his exceptional knowledge of the Chinese language, render him well placed to present this valuable contribution on a vital question of the hour affecting both China and Hongkong. The form adopted by the author in the printing, for ready reference, of the book, is particularly suitable as a sort of uniform annexure to the White-books that have been presented to Parliament recently on the opium question. An introduction of considerable classical merit prefaces the translation of the "Article on the Poppy." Mr. Clementi writes:—
"It is now some twenty years since the publication, in May, 1889, of the Historical Note on the Poppy in China by J. Edkins, D.D.; and during the past twenty years all writers, who have had occasion to deal with this aspect of the opium question, have based their remarks on Dr. Edkins' Historical Note. But this Note, in its turn, is based almost entirely upon the Article on the Poppy, which forms the second subhead in the 122nd book of the Lexicon of the Vegetable Kingdom which is the fourth division in the Category of Science and Inanimate Nature which again is the fourth category in the 'Compendium of Literature and Illustrations, Ancient and Modern,' drawn up under Imperial authority, published under a preface from the hand of the Emperor Yung Cheng, dated the 27th day of the 9th moon of the 4th year of his reign (13rd October, 1726, A.D.).
"This vast compendium in 10,000 books is not easily accessible to students; and, as far as I know, since my own set was sunk to the bottom of Hongkong harbour in the typhoon of September, 1906, the only copy existing in this Colony is, that recently purchased by the Registrar-General's Department. In 1877, the Trustees of the British Museum acquired the work for the Chinese Library of that institution; but I doubt whether there is another copy in the United Kingdom. Therefore, I have thought it advisable to extract the whole of the article in question and publish it in the original Chinese text, with a translation and notes, in order that such persons as take an interest in the opium question may be able to refer to the locus classicus in Chinese literature on the subject."
After presenting a brief description of the book, Mr. Clementi observes that in the Article on the Poppy only six sub-divisions are employed: while by far the greater part of the article is classified under the first sub-division. A cursory inspection of the text of the Article will show that nearly the whole of the first sub-division consists of a reprint in extenso of the article on the Poppy, which forms pages 21-23 of the 23rd book of celebrated Chinese Materia Medica, called Pien Tsao Kang Mu. Of this work Bretschneider says that "it forms the type of all Chinese productions of this class, is held in esteem by the Chinese, and represents the most important native work on Materia Medica and Natural History." Bretschneider's book is not easily obtainable.
A table is given which states, in chronological order, the authors whose works are quoted in the text. In all 35 writers are placed under contribution in the "Article on the Poppy."
Four words remain which Mr. Clementi has not been able to identify, and of these, the Chuan Yu Hsin Chien, the Hu Shih Fang, and the Chi Yao Fang must have been written before 1728 A.D., as they are quoted in the Pien Tsao Kang Mu; while the Pi Tsao of Wen Yeh-chi in any case have been written before 1726 A.D.
Proceeding to trace the etymology of the word "opium," Mr. Clementi observes:—
"As Li Shih-chia discusses the etymology of the word 'opium,' it may be useful to state here that the word in the Latin translation of the Greek word *ὀπνιον*, which again is the diminutive of *ὀπνός*. The meaning of *ὀπνός*, as given in Liddell and Scott's Greek-English Dictionary is 'juice, distinguished from *χυλός*, *χυμός*, in that *ὀπνός* is properly vegetable juice; the milky juice which is drawn from a plant by tapping it.' Literally, therefore, the word *ὀπνιον* should mean 'little juice' or perhaps, as the affluence diminutive, 'dear little juice'; but in practice it is used of poppy juice only, and means technically 'the inspissated juice of papaver somniferum.' The science of etymology demonstrates that *ὀπνός* *ὀπνιον* and opium are akin in the Latin superlative, to the Old Norse *afj*; to the Old High German *af* (Modern German *af*); to the Anglo-Saxon *af*; and to the Modern English *ap*, *app*, *ap* (cf. Greek *σάφης*, *σάφης* and Latin *sap*.) It is interesting, therefore, to observe that, when Lady Stafford used to say to her sister, 'Well child, I have come without my wit to-day'; that is, she had not taken her *opium*; her ladyship was, no doubt, unconsciously, playing upon the etymological meaning of the word.
"The Arabic and Persian translation of *ὀπνιον* is *afj* (افج) and the Chinese who first heard the word in its Arabic form, transliterated it as *af-jung*. Li Shih-chia, writing, as we have seen, between 1552 and 1728 A.D., says:—'The vulgar name is *ya-pien*. The meaning is not explicit. Some say that the Arabic sound for *af* is *af*, and because the flowers are yellow, it received this name.' Evidently, therefore, in the 16th century the word had become sufficiently current in the

Chinese language for its origin to have grown obscure."
In conclusion, the knowledge of the poppy and of opium, which is contained in the "Article on the Poppy," is very briefly summarized as follows:—
The poppy is first mentioned under the name *ying-shu* by an author, who wrote prior to 810 A.D., in the Tang dynasty (618-907 A.D.); and writers of the same dynasty also give it the name *mi-mang*. Its seeds and pouch (*la*, capsule) are specially mentioned, and instructions are given as to the months in which the seeds should be planted. A writer of this dynasty, returning to his native Szechuan, describes the poppy fields as the feature of the landscape, which makes him feel really at home again.
Under the Sung dynasty (960-1278 A.D.), the poppy is mentioned as a vegetable, and the husbandry of the plant is described. The seeds and capsules are specially mentioned as having medicinal value, and curing diarrhoea. A great made of ground poppy-seeds is said to be very exhilarating, and the way to make poppy-cakes is described.
An author of the Chiao dynasty (1115-1234 A.D.) speaks of poppy capsules as a cure for crumb and asthma, while writers of the Yuan dynasty (1261-1368 A.D.) prescribe its capsule for rheumatism, cough, consumption and diarrhoea.
A writer of the Ming dynasty (1368-1644 A.D.), who died in 1482 A.D., first mentions opium, and says that it is the product of the red *ying-shu* flower, planted in Arabia. He also mentions the method of extraction by lancing the capsule. Before 1578 A.D., the etymology of the word "opium" was already under discussion; and opium is spoken of as an article of trade. The husbandry of the opium poppy is carefully described; and a distinction is drawn between *papaver somniferum* and *papaver rhoeas*. Opium is prescribed for diarrhoea, and is said to be an aphrodisiac. Special virtues are ascribed (a) to the poppy seeds as curing diarrhoea and fever; (b) to the capsules as a cure for cough, nausea, rheumatism, diarrhoea, etc.; and (c) to the young sprouts of the poppy plants as a remedy against fever. Moreover, before 1578 A.D., opium was well enough known to have a popular name *ya-pien* in addition to the more scientific name *af-jung*. Nor is there any hint in this article of the names "foreign medicine" and "foreign earth" which were subsequently invented to describe the drug. On the contrary, it seems clear that, though the Arabs first taught the Chinese their knowledge of opium and the way to extract it, yet for several centuries previously *papaver somniferum* had been known in China. In fact, all that the Chinese learnt from the Arabs was a means of extracting further profit from their already existing poppy fields.
The blue-book is on sale at the office of the publishers, Messrs. Noronha & Co., at \$1.50 per copy.
NOT-A-HETTY GREEN.
A CHINESE WOMAN'S EYE TO BUSINESS.
Mr. Justice Gompertz, presiding in the Supreme Court this morning, listened to an action which was brought by a single woman named Wong Shi, who resides at 51, Kennedy Street, Yau-ma-tei, against Leung Yu She, a trader, of 144, Connaught Road Central, for trespass and for the alleged unlawful conversion to his own use of her share in the Wo Fung firm, 157, Market Street, Hongkong.
It was stated that, prior to 2nd-November, 1908, the plaintiff was the owner of a 500 share in the Wo Fung grocery store, which stood in her credit in the name of Hop Shing Tong Wong Shi. On 11th October, the defendant trespassed, and, without her consent or knowledge and by misrepresentation, caused a prohibitory order to be issued against the shop in a Summary Court action, which was wrongfully sold, within the Wo Fung business.
Mr. P. Sydenham Dixon appeared for the plaintiff, while Mr. G. H. Hall Brutton was for the defence.
Plaintiff, sworn, said she made a living as a hair dresser. In July, 1907, a man named Tong San, Nam-ahed her to take a share in the Wo Fung shop, which she did. In August she paid the \$500 into the shop.
Mr. Dixon—How did you raise the \$500?—
Those were my savings.
Did you borrow any?—Yes—\$120.
From whom?—A woman.
Did you give any security?—Yes; a pair of bangles.
Did you get any receipt for your \$500?—No.
Did you get a partnership book?—No.
Did you ask for one?—I did.
Did you get it eventually?—Yes.
In February of last year, plaintiff went to the shop and asked how the business was getting on. She was told not to be anxious, but business was pretty good, and money was being made. She asked for the account books, and was told there was "nothing to see" but that she would be shown next year's books. Nine months later plaintiff again visited the shop, because she was told by a friend, who read it in the newspapers, that the Wo Fung had been transferred. She asked a man named Leung Wo, the manager, why he acted in that way, and she was told that her share had been seized by the Court.
Mr. Dixon—Do you know a man named Tong Chen?—No.
The question was repeated on several occasions, and the name pronounced differently each time, until finally, plaintiff admitted that she did. "Tong Chen doesn't want me now. He used to keep me before, but gave me up."
Mr. Dixon objected to the whole proceeding. He said that the case could not be brought as a sale by order of the Court was absolute and objections should have been made at the time.
Mr. Dixon said he was seeking for damages—not to set aside the sale.
Mr. Brutton said that the plaintiff did not take such steps to protect her property.
Under cross-examination, plaintiff said that, though she was the largest shareholder, she did not know, nor was she told that an action was brought against the firm. She was not told also whether the firm was in debt.
The case was still proceeding when we went to press.

Telegrams.
"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.
CHINA AND JAPAN.
THE LATE EMPEROR'S FUNERAL.
[By courtesy of the "Shuang Po"]
Peking, 12th January.
The Chinese Minister in Tokio has telegraphed to the Waiwupu to the effect that the Emperor has decided to depute a Prince to represent Japan on the occasion of the funeral of the late Emperor Kwang Su when it takes place.
COMPULSORY EDUCATION.
CHANG CHIH-TUNG FAVOURS DELAY.
[By courtesy of the "Shuang Po"]
Peking, 12th January.
Chang Chih-tung is in favour of deferring the putting into operation of the regulations relating to the question of compulsory education.
TANG SHAO-YI.
TO RETURN TO CHINA.
[By courtesy of the "Shuang Po"]
Peking, 12th January.
The Grand Councillors have telegraphed to Tang Shao-yi, the special ambassador to the United States, urging him to take his departure from New York, on his return to China, not later than the 19th inst. His Excellency was commanded to return via Europe.
CENSOR KONG'S MEMORIAL.
MORE OFFICIALS IMPLICATED.
[By courtesy of the "Shuang Po"]
Peking, 12th January.
In Censor Kong Chun-lum's memorial denouncing Yuan Shih-kai, many officials outside Peking were also implicated.
The Prince Regent does not intend to take further action in the matter.
SANITARY BOARD ELECTIONS.
PERSONS ENTITLED TO VOTE.
In a Government Gazette Extraordinary issued to-day, it is notified that, by command of His Excellency the Governor, and pursuant to Section 8 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinances 1903-1908, an election of two members to the Sanitary Board will take place at the City Hall on Wednesday, the 20th day of January, 1909, commencing at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.
The following persons will be entitled to vote at the election, that is to say:—
(a) Such persons as are included in the special and common jury list for the year 1908.
(b) Such persons as are exempt from serving on juries on account of their professional avocations or on account of their being members of Council or on account of infirmity or of their being over the age of sixty years.
The election will be conducted in accordance with the Rules contained in Schedule C to the above named Ordinances (Government Notification No. 1 of 4th January, 1909).
Voting, if necessary, will commence immediately after the nomination and continue until 6 p.m., when the ballot-box will be closed.
OUTRAGE AT SHA-TAU-KOK.
ROBBERS STEAL CRUIER AND HOLD FOR RANSOM.
According to all accounts, Sha-tau-kok, which is situated on the mainland near Miao Bay, seems to be the meeting-ground for murderers, pirates, and robbers. What has taken place is that district during the past few months is too fresh in the memory to require recapitulation. Word of another outrage reaches us this morning, but full particulars are lacking. From what our reporter was told, it would appear that late on Monday night, the 9th, yesterday morning, a ship of about 100 tons, manned by a crew of about 20, was captured by a party of robbers, who were holding for ransom. The ship was a police vessel, manned by Hongkong detectives, and was searching for the bandits.

DIOCESEAN SCHOOL AND ORPHANAGE

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Frederick Lugard presented the prizes to the scholars at the Diocesan School and Orphanage today. The attendance was a very large one, among those present being: the Bishop of Victoria, Rev. Mr. F. T. Johnson, Rev. and Mrs. Pearce, Rev. Mr. J. H. France, Rev. Mr. Barrett, Rev. and Mrs. Hickling, Rev. and Mrs. Bunbury, Mr. E. A. Hewitt, Mr. Ho Kom Tong, Dr. J. H. Hawk, Mr. and Mrs. Braidwood, Mrs. Titcher, Mrs. Sin Tak Fan and others.

His Excellency, who was accompanied by Mr. A. J. Brackenbury (private secretary), was received by the headmaster (Mr. Geo. Piercy) who later read his report, as under:—

"We are thankful to say the boys and staff enjoyed excellent health during the year and were thus able to do good steady work. With an enrolment of 319 the average attendance on the 237 days on which school was taught has risen from 125.5 in 1907 to 142.45 in 1908, which is the highest yet reached. Our accommodation for 89 boarders has been constantly full and applicants have had to be refused or kept waiting for vacancies. We attach great importance to this part of our work as the boarders come more under our influence and derive more benefit from our teaching than day scholars.

As most new boys come after Chinese New Year, our scholastic year has coincided with the Chinese year, but it will in future, on the Inspector's recommendation, begin and end at the summer vacation. This will give the senior classes to months (instead of 15 months) to prepare for the Oxford Local Examinations in July and will relieve the Inspector of an examination at a busy time. To inaugurate this change the boys had their promotions in September and the classes began the year's work then. Consequently the examination held by the Inspector, from 8th to 15th December was on three months' work; he will hold a final examination in June next.

In the Hygiene Shield Competition our team got 60.45 per cent of the marks and after holding the Shield for two years lost it by .45 per cent, which with a maximum of 700 would be 3 marks.

At the Oxford Local Examinations 2 boys passed in the Senior and attained the degree of A. A. in the Junior II in the Preliminary. This is the first occasion on which we have had as many as 18 passes (last year 15) and one little boy, H. Wilson, attained 1st in the Preliminary, and was the only Hongkong boy to distinguish. The Rev. C. E. Thompson examined the school in 'Scripture'.

In March the staff was increased by the engagement of Mr. Sin Ping-kwan as clerk and Junior Anglo-Chinese teacher. In April the assistant matron, Miss Armour, resigned after 3 years' faithful work to go to Scotland. Miss E. Cooper has most efficiently taken her place. In August Mr. J. D. Brown by medical advice returned to Australia, and in September Mr. P. L. Brown sailed for England on the completion of his 4 years' agreement. Their places have been most satisfactorily filled by Messrs. S. Hore and W. H. Vives, trained teachers selected for us by His Lordship the Bishop on his recent visit to England. In October the Anglo-Chinese teacher, Mr. Lu Cho-hang, had the sad misfortune to have his house in Kwangtung raided by brigands who carried off his two children. One, I fear, has died and the other is still held for ransom. Mr. Lu at once applied for leave of absence providing his brother as an able substitute and has since resigned. Mr. Lu Chipo has been appointed in his stead. Mr. You has taken the place of Mr. Wang as Chinese teacher.

During the winter Mr. J. L. McPherson gave the boys and girls an interesting lecture on Canada, illustrated by lantern slides lent by the C. P. R. Company, and Mr. Brown lectured on hygiene and explained a series of slides lent by the Sanitary Board.

At the close of the bathing season, through the kindness of Mr. A. J. Macgowan, a launch was placed at our disposal, and the boys had their aquatic sports at Repulse Bay.

The Hon. Mr. Hewitt kindly lent us a large launch on Boxing Day to convey the girls and boys of the two schools to "Seaton" for their annual picnic, when they thoroughly enjoyed the programme of sports and the subsequent picnic. Another afternoon the boys spent very pleasantly on board the large four-masted barque *Daylight* where they were most hospitably entertained by Captain McBryde. The Hon. Mr. Hewitt has kindly sent a framed picture of the flag commissioning Nelson's signal at Trafalgar. The school cricket, football, tennis and five clubs are in a very flourishing condition. The chief interest has been in cricket and the school is now probably represented by the strongest teams it has ever had. Besides winning all its matches against the other schools of the Colony it has been successful in matches against the masters, the sailing-ship apprentices, Calverpower, Watson and the "A" teams of the Civil Service and Kowloon Clubs. Mrs. Tuxford has delighted the small boys by presenting a large wooden horse that is on the trot every moment of playtime.

In conclusion, I must thank the whole staff for the hearty manner in which they have co-operated for the instruction or amusement of the boys and also the following gentlemen for presenting prizes:—Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewitt, Hon. Mr. Wei Yek, C.M.G., Hon. Dr. Atkinson, Rev. F. T. Johnson, Messrs. L. Arnold, F. H. L. Bowley, Fung Wa-chuen, Ho Fook, Ho Tong, T. Hunter, H. Hastings, Li Fok-sun, Li Ping, Sin Tak-fan, F. Southey, and Wong Po-chuen.

The Bishop, who called upon the Governor to address the gathering and present the prizes.

THE GOVERNOR'S REMARKS.—His Excellency congratulated the school on the marked increase in its attendance and progress over that of last year. In 1907, he said, the average attendance was 125.5, in 1908, 142.45, the following year had risen to 146, while this year averaged 148. As regards the efficiency of the school, his Excellency pointed out that in

the Oxford Local Examinations seventeen boys passed in 1905; twelve in 1906, in 1907 fifteen, and in 1908 the large amount of eighteen—a result which the staff, the boys and the Colony should be proud of. Last year, in the headmaster's report, he suggested that the building should be extended, more especially for the boarders, numbering 89. He agreed with the committee that some extension was necessary; but during the past year there were many calls for money and money was tight. In the coming year, however, he hoped there would be better fortune and that it would be possible for the committee to put the work in hand. It was very striking that every school in the Colony was increasing in numbers. A day or two ago he laid the foundation stone at the St. Stephen's College. The Government District School at Sai-ying-pon, had also increased and required further extension. The Ellis Kadonah School had recently been extended, but had become cramped again. Queen's College was overcrowded and something had to be done for the sanitation of the school. Speaking of higher education for boys his Excellency remarked that the matter was receiving serious consideration of the Government. The report of the Inspector of Schools, which had not been read—the contents of which he knew—showed that the discipline and organization was highly satisfactory; the veritable class which was organized during the past year was successful and thoroughly efficient, and everyone would agree with him when he said the Chinese boys should be able to read and write their own language. The salient point he had to refer to was the increase in the number of scholars whose fees were paid by subscription. In 1907 there were fifty-seven and in 1908 that number was increased by eight, which went to show that boys who could not afford to pay were eager to get the education afforded them, and to that subscription list he would be glad to add his name. This brought forth loud applause. Turning to sport, his Excellency spoke of the proposed second XI football team. When it was organized a cup would be ready, and he wished the team success. The holidays were just beginning and the boys would have lots of leisure time for sport and he trusted that they would keep good for that pastime. He called upon the boys to keep up the reputation of the school, which was part of the Colony. They were justly proud of their school and proud of this Colony and he hoped they would do their share to promote the prosperity of the school and its good name. He wished them all a happy holiday.

INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS' REPORT.

The headmaster then read the Inspector of Schools' report, as follows:—

Staff.—O. Piercy, 4 assistant English masters, 2 English assistant mistresses and 4 Chinese masters.

Discipline and Organisation.—The discipline is very good throughout the school.

Organisation.—Very satisfactory. The subjects which were noted as weak last year, i.e., arithmetic, grammar, and Chinese have improved, especially grammar. Chinese translation still remains a weak subject and is rather below the standard attained at other schools.

Sanitation.—Satisfactory.

Apparatus.—Very satisfactory.

Flour Space.—Sufficient for 470 pupils.

English.—Reading, good. There is room for improvement in this subject in the two top classes.

Colloquial, good. Very good in Standard VII. Boys are able to express themselves in simple English without any difficulty.

Grammar, good. In standard V the papers lacked neatness. The work in standards VI and VII was very good. Printed forms for analysis should be used by all boys.

Dictation.—Good in all standards except III and V which were fair only.

Composition.—This subject is weak except in standard VII. The English of the essays shown up by boys in standard VI was very poor. A common mistake was the use of the plural instead of the singular number. The essays of the English boys in this class were especially weak. Standard IV did fairly well, but III and II did badly. Composition will have to improve. The weakness in this subject is reflected in the translation papers—i.e., Chinese-English.

Geography.—Good.

History.—Papers were done by the boys in standards V, VI and VII. In standard V they range from very good to poor and indifferent. Its disparity between the attainments of boys in this class is most marked; quite a number of boys being at least two classes below standard VI in ability. They lack knowledge of facts, while spelling, composition and punctuation are very defective. In standard VI the quality of the work, style, knowledge and arrangement of matter showed a great advance on standard V and the results may be considered decidedly good. Standard VII with one exception did very good papers.

Mathematics.—Arithmetic.—The same standards, i.e., IV, V and VI, did poorly in this subject last year as still weak though they have improved. The work of the remaining standards may be considered good.

Algebra.—This subject is taken by standards V, VI and VII. Standard V and VI good. Standard VII very good.

Euclid.—Good in Standard V. Very good in standards VI and VII. The chief errors were due to want of careful consideration of the questions asked and accounted for the loss of marks especially in standard V. As pointed out last year if a proposition is contained on a new page the figure should be drawn again to facilitate the checking of the proof.

Geometrical Drawing.—Standards VI and VII only. Standard VI good; Standard VII very good. A cursory glance at the papers shown up by boys in standard VII, show their superiority to those of the standard VI boys, as the figures in the former were carefully looked at.

Book-keeping.—Standard VII only. Very good. Most of the papers were accurately and neatly done. The weak feature of some was the illegible knowledge of commercial terms.

Translation.—Very weak except in standard VII. Boys appear to be unable to express themselves in correct English. This subject should be taken by standards V, VI and VII only; the boys in standard IV do not know enough English to attempt it with any hope of success. Only 6 boys in all did the translation papers in standards VI and VII. This subject should be made compulsory.

Chinese into English.—Poor in standards V and VI, fair in standard VII. The translations were much too free, portions of sentences were omitted and the English was very poor.

English into Chinese.—Poor except in standard VII which was fair. The style of the translations was weak, wrong characters were used, and names of places such as Vladivostok and the Straits were not known.

Hygiene.—Elementary.—Very good.

Advanced.—Fair only.

Chinese.—The suggestion made in last year's report that separate Chinese classes should be formed has been adopted and there are now 4 vernacular classes A, B, C and D. A and B, the two top classes did well but C and D were distinctly weak. The boys in the lowest classes seem disinclined to take this subject seriously and it is somewhat unsatisfactory to find boys of 16 years of age unable to read or write their own language. The subjects studied are reading and composition.

Grant.—I return the school as 'thoroughly efficient' and recommend a grant at the rate of 35/-.

(Signed) E. D. C. WOLFE,
Inspector of Schools.

SCRIPTURE REPORT.

At the request of the Rev. F. T. Johnson (hon. secretary) I undertook the scripture examination at the Diocesan Boys' School.

I was surprised and pleased at the splendid answering in the senior forms. In the VII form out of a possible 14, the senior boy, a Chinese, obtained 13, the next boy obtaining 12 marks, which was closely followed by two others obtaining 11 marks.

On the same paper in the VI form the highest marks obtained were 11 out of a possible 14.

The answering in the V form was excellent. Out of a possible 10 there were two boys who obtained 9 marks each.

I am sorry not to be able to report the same good answering in the IV form. Out of a possible 10 the highest mark was only 5.

The III form answering was very good, 9 being the highest out of a possible 10.

The nine boys in the two lowest forms were very good.

On the whole the answering reflects great credit on those who are responsible for the religious instruction in the school.

I might add that I should like to see the Catechism better understood, and not to be learned 'parrot fashion'.

(Signed) CHAS. E. THOMPSON.

THE PRIZE LIST.

His Excellency presented the prizes, and as each boy came up to the heavily-laden table for his gift he was greeted with loud applause.

The prize list is as follows:—

OXFORD UNIVERSITY LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

Senior.—Chiu Yau-tak, G. E. Luce.

Junior.—H. Anderson, G. J. Litton, J. Souza, T. G. A. Strangman.

Preliminary.—H. Wilson in Honours; J. Anderson; J. C. Anderson, Chiu Yau-tak, A. E. Jenkins, G. H. Noble, H. Lowcock, W. Lynbory, C. K. May, H. Palmer, H. A. Parker, V. O. Remedios.

CLASS PRIZES.

VII. Standard.—(1) G. E. Luce, Silver Watch; (2) G. J. Litton, Writing Case.

VI Standard.—(1) Wong Tsui, Tennis Racquet; (2) Jan, Hall, 'Romance of Empire'.

V Standard.—(1) P. Abesser, 'Boys' Own Annual'; (2) Lam Ng-fuk, 'Sports Poems'.

IV Standard.—(1) Gen. Hall, 'In the Teeth of Adventure'; (2) A. Gifford, 'Duty'.

III Standard.—(1) Cheung 'Up-oi', 'Self-Reliance'; (2) Cheung Ho-ong, 'How it is made'.

IIA Standard.—(1) G. Matlock, 'Middy in Command'; (2) J. Knight, 'Rubber Hunters'.

IIIB Standard.—(1) Liu Yau-ching, 'Nuttall's Dictionary'; (2) Lo Kuo-ai, 'Wind and Wave'.

IIA Standard.—(1) C. J. Stapleton, 'Every Boy's Volume'; (2) W. Peter, 'Children's Annual'.

III Standard.—(1) U. Kio-ai, 'Aloha and Submarines'; (2) Chai Kwok-cheung, 'On the World's Roof'.

IA Standard.—(1) D. Gifford, 'Sons of the Sea'; (2) W. Ma, 'Our Picture Book'.

I Standard.—(1) Yau Cheuk-ling, 'Rough Riders of the Pampas'; (2) Chiu Wai-fuk, 'Heroes of Indian Empire'.

AWARDED BY REV. C. E. THOMPSON.

VII Standard.—Chiu Yau-tak, 'Great English Writers'.

VI Standard.—Wong Tsui, 'Longfellow'.

V Standard.—R. M. Hagar, 'Sunday at Home'.

IV Standard.—John Mackenzie, 'School-days'.

IIIA Standard.—W. H. Stapleton, 'Swiss Family Robinson'.

B Standard.—Li Ping-tong, 'Told out of School'.

IIA Standard.—Duncan Jen, 'Sunday'.

B Standard.—Chiu Kwong-huen, 'Pilgrims' Progress'.

IA Standard.—V. Boissiere, 'How they went to School'.

B Standard.—Mah Kam-tai, 'Greek Pictures'.

B Standard.—Euclid: W. Hall, 'Cricket Bat'.

Short-hand: Leung-kwan, 'Creatures of the Sea'.

Book-keeping: A. E. Hall, 'Fountain Pen'.

Drill: J. Whitfield, 'Writing Case'.

Shakespeare: Joseph Souli, 'English Dictionary'.

Oxford Examination: H. Willau, 'Shakespeare'.

VI Standard.—Mathematics.—Li Tai-ching, 'Tombston'.

Eng. Literature: J. A. Smith, 'Football'.

V Standard.—Hygiene: F. Boes, 'Bravest Deed Ever saw'.

Euclid: P. Abesser, 'In search of Eldorado'.

Algebra: T. Ma-ho, 'Atlas'.

IV Standard.—Algebra: M. D. Hanf, 'Old Lieutenant'.

III Standard.—Algebra: P. Wong, 'Robinson Crusoe'.

III Standard.—Brush-drawing: Wong Mo-him, 'Roman Pictures'.

Music: G. Bragdon, 'Football'.

Chinese: Chan Ting-fong, 'Specimen Hunters'.

II Standard.—Brush-drawing: T. Anderson, 'Holiday Annual'.

Chinese: Ho Chiu-fong, 'Twice Lost'.

I Standard.—Drawing: Lai Shu-kow, 'White Trail'.

Chinese: Chiu Wing-hong, 'Rover Caravan'.

Good Conduct: F. C. Whitfield, 'Robinson Crusoe'.

HO KONG TONG SCHOLARSHIP.

\$50 G. E. Luce.

The proceedings then terminated.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

ENCOUNTER WITH OUTLAWS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, 12th December.

Brigadier-General Mok has sent a telegraphic report to the Viceroy that last week, on information received, he accompanied by Colonel Wong, together with a large body of troops, proceeded to raid the Shap Mah Tai Shan ('One Hundred Thousand' mountains), situated on the borders of the provinces of Kwangtung and Kwangsi, where a few hundred outlaws were hiding under the leadership of their chief named Ho Tin Kam. The troops attacked the insurgents, the engagement lasting for two days and two nights, with the result that twenty of the latter were captured and were taken to Linchow to be dealt with. The victory was chiefly due to the efforts of the newly-trained troops. In the encounter some of the troops were wounded.

BLACKMAILERS AGAIN.

The traffic manager of the Canton-Hankow Railway has received a blackmail letter from a robber surnamed Yim and others belonging to the Yin Tai village demanding a monthly payment of \$200. It is stated in the letter that in consideration of the large amount of expenses incurred on salaries to the members of the Company, they were inclined to think that they would also have privileges to share some benefit on their part.

AN INDUSTRIAL CONCERN FOR CANTON.

At the request of certain wealthy merchants, Mr. Lum Lai Tong, a native of the Hounghen district, who is the promoter and manager of the Wang Hing Native Cloth Manufacturing Company at Shanghai, arrived here with the intention to arrange for the establishment of a similar concern in this city. A Company is now about to be floated with a capital of \$500,000, of which \$250,000 is said to be appropriated for the purchase of machinery. They are now looking for a suitable site for the purpose.

LIKIN COLLECTION.

Tax stations have been opened in different places along the open sections of the Canton-Hankow Railway for the collection of Likin dues on goods carried by railway.

CHINESE NEW YEAR.

All colleges and schools, both government and private, in this city have been closed for the Chinese New Year vacation.

CANTON WATERWORKS.

The construction of the reservoirs, water towers, and the laying down of pipes in the streets having been completed, the Canton Waterworks Company's water supply service is now available throughout the whole city. But in most of the streets where pipes have been laid underground, the drains become inaccessible for water to run through, and are often flooded. A number of complaints has consequently been lodged with the Police Authorities by the residents against the Waterworks Company. The Taoist of Chobanabury has now taken the matter in hand and has given instructions to dredge the creeks and drains.

MONOPOLIES IN FORMOSA.

The rough estimate of the revenue expenditure and profit of four monopolies of the Formosa Government-General for the fiscal year 1909-10 is as follows:—

Revenue. Expenditure.

Tobacco.....\$3,751,000 \$1,561,000

Opium.....4,121,000 2,103,000

Campor.....2,858,000 2,336,000

Salt.....824,500 471,000

Compared with the year 1908-09 the proceeds of tobacco show a decrease of about \$1,700,000, campor about \$1,430,000 and salt about \$100,000, while the revenue from opium shows an increase of about \$330,000. In all the monopoly revenue in Formosa in the next fiscal year will be diminished by over \$1,130,000.

PLAGUE PREVENTIVE MEASURES.

CRUSADE AT SHANGHAI.

In the current issue of the *Municipal Gazette* Dr. Stanley, in his report on the Public Health for the month of December, refers at length to the discovery of plague-stricken rats in the Settlement and to the measures adopted for the eradication of the rodents, in order to prevent the spread of plague—a disease which has wrought great havoc in other Far Eastern ports, but particularly at Hongkong, where the authorities are even now still grappling with the problem. Dr. Stanley comments on the difficulties which beset the effective carrying out of plague preventive measures and it would be well in this connection if the Settlement benefited by the lessons learnt at enormous cost by the Government of Hongkong. Dr. Stanley strikes the right keynote when he says: "It is hoped, however, that with the exercise of forbearance, plague preventive measures among the Chinese will be ultimately proved successful." For it is essential that the sympathies and co-operation of the Chinese should be secured from the very beginning of the campaign.

TO-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL SHOW.

THE FLOWER and VEGETABLE SHOW will be held on the 20th and 27th February in the Botanic Gardens.

Intending Exhibitors should send in their entries to the Hon. Secretary not later than 15th February.

Copies of the Rules and Schedule may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary.

L. GIBBS,
6, Beaconsfield Arcade.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1909. [76]

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 28th January, 1909, at 1.15 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1908.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 21st January, to THURSDAY, the 28th January (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1909. [87]

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

HIS Excellency, the Governor, Sir FREDERICK LUGARD, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., will preside at the PRIZE DISTRIBUTION at the above Government Institution on FRIDAY next, January 15th, at Noon.

The Head Master has the honour to request the favour of the attendance of those interested in education.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1909. [88]

FROM EUROPE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"ANDALUSIA."

Captain Black, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge, will be landed at consignees' risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 10th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.
Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1909. [85]

Public Companies.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 28th January, 1909, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1908.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 21st January, to THURSDAY, the 28th January (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 12th January, 1909. [83]

THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 28th January, 1909, at 11.30 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1908.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 21st January, to THURSDAY, the 28th January (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Ltd.
General Agents for The West Point Building Company, Ltd.
Hongkong, 12th January, 1909. [84]

Intimations.

ROUND.

At the Club Lusitano, on the 2nd inst., after the first performance of "The Geisha" One GOLD LADY'S BRACELET, with Chinese Gold Chain pendant.

Owner can have same on application to—
THE SECRETARY,
Club Lusitano.
Hongkong, 5th January, 1909. [65]

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD., have now 40,000 Cubic feet of GOLD STORAGE available at EAST POINT. Stores will be Open at 2 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sunday excepted, to receive and deliver perishable goods.

G. K. HAXTON,
Manager.
Hongkong, 6th January, 1909. [45]

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LD.

(CAPITAL PAID UP\$1,250,000)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c. Goods received on Storage. Advances made on Merchandise. Loans made on the Provident System. (Rates and Particulars on Application).

THE OFFICE OF TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c., Undertakes and Executes.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1908. [14]

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

FROM and after 1st January, 1909, the rates of Subscription to the *Hongkong Telegraph* (daily and weekly issues) will be as follows:—

DAILY—\$36 per annum.

WEEKLY—\$13 per annum.

The rates per quarter and per month, proportional. Subscriptions for any period less than one month will be charged as for a full month.

The daily issue is delivered free when the address is accessible to messenger. Peak subscribers can have their copies delivered at their residences without any extra charge. On copies sent by post an additional \$1.50 per quarter is charged for postage.

The postage on the weekly issue to any part of the world is 50 cents per quarter. Single Copies, Daily, ten cents. Weekly, twenty-five cents (for cash only).

(PAYABLE IN ADVANCE.)

There will be no rebate to Missionary Subscribers as heretofore.

By Order,
THE MANAGER,
Hongkong Telegraph Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1908. [42]

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ODOWN No. 54, E. JEDDELL STREET.

Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1908. [12]

TO LET.

HATHERLEIGH, CONDUIT ROAD.

A HOUSE in WONG-WEI-CHONG ROAD. A HOUSE in RYON TERRACE. OFFICES in YORK BUILDING. GODOWNS in PRATA EAST, HUNG BUILDING and No. 162, DES VOGES ROAD next to the Hongkong Hotel. FLATS in MOSKOW TERRACE. No. 12, DES VOGES ROAD CENTRAL, 1st Floor.

Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1908. [11]

Shipping—Steamers.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



Luxury—Speed—Punctuality.

The only Line that maintains a Regular Schedule Service of under 12 Days across the Pacific is the "Empress Line" Saving 3 to 10 Days' Ocean Travel.

12 Days YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER. 21 Days HONGKONG TO VANCOUVER.

PROPOSED SAILINGS. (Subject to Alteration).

R.M.S.	Tons.	LEAVE HONGKONG	ARRIVE VANCOUVER
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN"	6,000	SATURDAY, Jan. 16th	Feb. 5th, 1900.
"EMPEROR OF CHINA"	6,000	SATURDAY, Feb. 13th	March 5th
"EMPEROR OF INDIA"	6,000	TUESDAY, Mar. 2nd	March 22nd
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN"	6,000	SATURDAY, April 10th	April 30th
"EMPEROR OF CHINA"	6,000	SATURDAY, May 1st	May 22nd

"EMPEROR" steamships will leave Hongkong at 7 A.M. S.S. "MONTEAGLE" at 11 Noon.

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Hongkong to London, 1st Class, via Canadian Atlantic Ports or New York £71.10 Hongkong to London, Intermediate on Steamers, and 1st Class on Railways, "440."

First class rate to London include cost of Meals and Berth in Sleeping Car while crossing the American Continent by Canadian, Pacific direct line.

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For further information, Maps, Routes, Hand Books, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to J. W. CRADDOCK, General Traffic Agent for China, &c., 111, Pedder Street and Praya, Opposite Blake Pier.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

For	Steamship	On
SHANGHAI	"CHIPSING"	THURSDAY, 14th Jan. 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUTANG"	FRIDAY, 15th Jan. Noon.
SHANGHAI	"HANGSANG"	FRIDAY, 15th Jan. 4 P.M.
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	FRIDAY, 15th Jan. 4 P.M.
KOBE	"AMARA"	FRIDAY, 15th Jan. 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUMSANG"	TUESDAY, 19th Jan. Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE	"NANSANG"	THURSDAY, 4th Feb. Noon.

FOR THE MANILA CARNIVAL—Feb. 2nd to 9th 1900.

A Special reduced fare of \$50 for Return Passengers will be issued for our Sailings to Manila of the 29th January, and 5th February, available for 30 days from date of issue.

Passengers taking out these tickets are exempt from the Head Tax.

Steamers have superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Chefoo, Tientsin & Newchwang.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LD., General Managers.

Telephone No. 61. Hongkong, 12th January, 1900.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
PAKHAI & HAIPHONG	"CHIBI"	15th Jan.	10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"SHAOHSING"	15th Jan.	4 P.M.
CEBU & ILOILO	"MANCHANG"	15th Jan.	4 P.M.
DALNY	"FAMSOI"	16th Jan.	4 P.M.
MANILA	"FAMSOI"	16th Jan.	4 P.M.
CEBU & ILOILO	"SUNGSIANG"	21st Jan.	4 P.M.
MANILA	"TEAN"	26th Jan.	4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA and USUAL	"OHANGSHA"	31st Jan.	4 P.M.

MANILA and TIENTSIN STEAMERS have superior Passenger accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the Staterooms and Dining Saloon.

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CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA	SATURDAY, 16th Jan. at Noon.
RUBI	2540	Almond	"	THURSDAY, 21st Jan. at 5 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN TOMES & CO. GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1900.

Shipping—Steamers.



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICA and SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"DELHI."

Captain J. D. Andrews, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 23rd January, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo to the above Ports in connection with the Company's S.S. "Victoria," 7,000 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S. "Arcadia," due in London on 6th March, 1900.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to

A. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1900.

THE BANK LINE LIMITED.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Overseas Common Ports in the United States of America and Canada, and also for the principal ports in Mexico, and Central and South America.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

VICTORIA, B.C., SEATTLE & TACOMA, WASH.

MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamship Tons. Sailing Date

Inverclyde	4,780	R. J. Howie	14th Jan.
Boavista	6,232	W. J. Howie	14th Feb.
Gymnio	4,902	J. C. A. Hall	14th Mar.
Amirante	6,232	P. S. Cowley	8th April
Inverclyde	4,780	R. J. Howie	6th May

These steamers are specially fitted for the carriage of Asiatic Cargo passengers.

CARGO EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

For further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents.

Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, 8th January, 1900.

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STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEBRON and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, IONIAN and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALAO.

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THE Steamship

"CAPRI"

Captain Pedone, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 14th inst., at Noon.

For further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1900.

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BONGAUNG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected 9th January, 1900, at 5 P.M.

DUCHER MEAT.

Beef—Prime cut—Mei Lang Pa B

" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk

" Roast—Shlu

" Breast—Ngau Lam

" Soup, Tong Yuk

" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa

" Sirloin—Ngau Lam

" Sausages—Ngau Yuk Chung

" Bullock's Brains—Kao, per set

" Tongue fresh—Ngau Li, each

" Head—Ngau Tau

" Heart—Ngau Sum

" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin

" Feet—Ngau Kok

" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu

" Tail—Ngau Mei

" Liver—Ngau Coa

" Tripe (unpressed)—Ngau To

" Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-koek

" Mutton Chop—Young Pui Kwat

" Leg—Young Pui

" Shoulder—Young Shau

" Pig's Chitlings—Chi cheong

" Brains—Chi Kow

" Feet—Chi Kok

" Fry—Chi Chik

" Head—Chi Tat

" Heart—Chi Sum

" Kidneys—Chi Yiu

" Liver—Chi Kon

" Pork Chop—Chi Pui Kwat

" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk

" Leg—Chu Pui

" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau

" Sheep's Head and Feet—Young Tau

" Keok

" Heart—Young Sum

" Kidneys—Young Yiu

" Liver—Young Coa

" Suckling Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai

" Spot Beef—Sang Ngau Yau

" Mutton—Sang Young Yau

" Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk

" Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong

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SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. B. S. KADOORIE & Co. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE DIVIDEND AT PRESENT QUOTATION, BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
				RESERVE	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.		
BANKS.							
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	120,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,500,000 \$14,000,000	\$2,005,774	Interim of £2 for first half year @ ex 1/91 = \$21.943	5 1/2 % \$855 buyers London 8/8
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£6	\$4,000 \$150,000	\$10,223	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1905	5 1/2 % \$52
MARINE INSURANCES.							
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,500,000 \$123,757 \$411,990 \$125,000	none	\$14 for 1907	7 1/2 % \$195
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 125,000 Tls. 302,747 Tls. 118,277	Tls. 160,522	Final of 7/6 making 15/- for 1907	5 1/2 % Tls. 104 buyers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	13,400	\$250	\$100	\$3,000,000 \$302,478 \$125,000 \$727,649	\$2,506,012	Final of \$15 making \$45 for 1906 and Interim of \$30 for 1907	5 1/2 % \$823 buyers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	13,000	\$100	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$199,032 \$85,157 \$1,000,000	\$501,763	\$12 and bonus \$3 for 1906	8 1/2 % \$185 sales
FIRE INSURANCES.							
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	9,000	\$100	\$30	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$372,433	\$5 and bonus \$2 for 1906	7 1/2 % \$106 sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$48,027	\$17 for 1906	8 % \$127 1/2 buyers
SHIPPING.							
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$7,000 \$204,538 \$204,538	\$1,035	\$1 for 1906	7 1/2 % \$14
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$2,000,000 \$2,000,000 \$2,000,000	Nil.	\$2 1/2 for year ending 30.6.1908	7 1/2 % \$33 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$2,000,000 \$2,000,000 \$2,000,000	\$17,755	\$1 1/2 for first half-year ending 30.6.08	8 1/2 % \$29 1/2 sales
Iodo-Ohion Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred)	60,000	£5	£5	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	£13,755	\$1 for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 1/91 11/16 = \$3.154	5 1/2 % \$37 1/2
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited (Preference)	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 75,000 Tls. 75,000 Tls. 75,000	Tls. 14,510	Interim of Tls. 1 1/2 for account 1908	7 1/2 % Tls. 47 1/2 buyers
Shell Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	£58,817	Second interim of 1/- for a/c 1908	6 1/2 % Tls. 51 buyers
Sin's Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$98	\$100 for year ending 30.4.1908	4 1/2 % \$23 1/2 buyers
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 12,000 Tls. 12,000 Tls. 12,000	Tls. 6,869	Final of Tls. 2 1/2 making Tls. 5 for 1907	11 % Tls. 45
REFINERIES.							
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$100	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	Dr. \$170,271	\$8 for year ending 31.12.06	5 1/2 % \$112 1/2 sellers
Luon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	Dr. \$135,133	\$13 for 1897	11 % Tls. 90 buyers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000 Tls. 100,000 Tls. 100,000	Tls. 9,773	\$1 3/4 for year ending 31.8.05	11 % Tls. 90 buyers
MINING.							
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	100,000	£1	£1	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	£12,556	Final of 1/6 (coupon No. 11) for year end- ing 30.2.08	7 1/2 % Tls. 17 sellers
Robt Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000	£1	£1	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	Dr. £2,191	Final of 1/6 (coupon No. 11) for year end- ing 30.2.08	5 1/2 % \$8 1/2
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.							
Fenwick (Gen.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$15	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$3,726	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06	5 1/2 % \$12
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$3,556	Final of \$2 1/2 making \$3 1/2 for 1907	7 1/2 % \$46
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$384,847	Interim of \$4 for account 1908	8 1/2 % \$50 buyers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 33,742	Interim of Tls. 2 1/2 for 6 months ending 31st October, 1908	6 1/2 % Tls. 77 sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company, Limited	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 22,626	Interim of Tls. 4 for account 1908	6 1/2 % Tls. 136 sales
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.							
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 25,000 Tls. 25,000 Tls. 25,000	Tls. 6,532	Tls. 6 for 1907	6 1/2 % Tls. 100 1/2
Asiatic Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	Dr. \$4,200	\$2 1/2 for year ending 30.6.07	11 % 141 buyers
Central Stores, Limited	50,000	\$15	\$15	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$9,178	\$1.50 for 1906	7 1/2 % \$15 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$14,639	Interim of \$3 for account 1908	7 1/2 % \$22 sellers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$30,915	Interim of \$3 1/2 for account 1908	7 1/2 % \$22 sellers
Humphreys, Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$4,621	70 cents for 1907	5 1/2 % \$33 sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$652	\$1 1/2 for 1907	5 1/2 % Tls. 120 buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 107,517	Interim of Tls. 3 for account 1908	7 1/2 % Tls. 120 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$1,547	Interim of \$2 for account 1908	9 1/2 % \$46 sellers
COTTON MILLS.							
Two Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 8,820	Tls. 5 for year ended 31.10.19 8	6 1/2 % Tls. 79 sales
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$9,553	50 cents for year ending 31.7.08	5 1/2 % 19 buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 8,372	Tls. 6 for year ended 30.9.08 (8 %)	11 % Tls. 67 1/2
Laon-kong-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 6,398	Tls. 8 for 1906	11 % Tls. 73 sellers
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 10,663	Tls. 50 for 1906	11 % Tls. 285 buyers
MISCELLANEOUS.							
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	£648	1,104 per share for 1907 = \$1.037	12 1/2 % \$8 buyers
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	Nil.	\$1.20 for 1907	11 1/2 % \$11 buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	£1,138	60 cents for year ending 28.2.08	8 % \$11 sellers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$5,593	80 cents for 1907	8 1/2 % \$22 1/2
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$48	\$1.50 for year ending 31.7.08	5 1/2 % \$9.80 buyers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$5,078	Interim of 40 cents for account 1908	10 1/2 % \$12 buyers
H. Price & Company, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$251	75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07	8 1/2 % \$11 buyers
Hall & Holts, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$18,957	\$2 for year ending 28.2.08	6 1/2 % \$18 buyers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$6,321	\$1 and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29.2.08	8 1/2 % \$20 sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$4,578	Interim of \$1 for account 1903	8 1/2 % \$24 buyers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$8,191	Interim of \$1 for account 1908	8 1/2 % Tls. 850 buyers
Maatschappij tot Mijn- Bosch en Landbouw- exploitatie in Langkat, Limited	25,000	Ga. 100	Ga. 100	Tls. 547,500 Tls. 547,500 Tls. 547,500	Tls. 17,127	4th Quarterly div. of Tls. 10 and bonus of Tls. 10 making \$50 to date	5 1/2 % Tls. 124 1/2
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$7,471	\$80 cents on fully paid shares and 6 cents on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.08	6 1/2 % Tls. 124 1/2
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	Nil.	None	4 1/2 % \$8
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	24,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 6,603	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 7 1/2 for 1907	6 1/2 % Tls. 120 buyers
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 8,493	Final of Tls. 9 making in all Tls. 14 for 1907	11 1/2 % Tls. 125 buyers
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	16,150	£20	£20	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 58,122	Final of 37/8 making 57/8 for 1907	11 1/2 % Tls. 437 1/2
South China Moring Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	Dr. \$56,632	None	8 1/2 % \$24
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$236	40 cents for year ending 31.5.08	8 1/2 % \$5
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 101	Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 30.4.07	5 1/2 % Tls. 94 buyers
Union Waterboat Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$111	50 cents for 1907	5 1/2 % \$13 buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$1,350	80 cents on 9,000 ord. shares and \$10.80 on 100 Preference shares for year ending 31.5.07	6 1/2 % \$9 1/2
Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$6,418	Interim of 50 cents a/c 1908	6 1/2 % \$9 1/2
William Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	None	Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1906	5 1/2 % \$4

* These shares are entitled to half of the profits

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Auctions.

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PURE IRISH HOUSEHOLD LINENS, LACE AND TAPESTRY CURTAINS, &c., &c.

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Hongkong, 6th January, 1930.

Intimations.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will Let by PUBLIC AUCTION, on

FRIDAY,

the 15th January, 1930, at 3 P.M., on the spot. The Several Lots Numbered 1 to 10 on Plan to be seen at the Auctioneers' Office, for erection of

BOOTH AND MATSHEDS,

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TERMS:—Cash.

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Hongkong, 6th January, 1930.

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PUBLIC AUCTION,

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

on

MONDAY,

the 18th January, 1930, at 2.30 P.M., at their

Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road,

corner Mrs. House Street.

SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—

Double and Single IRON BEDSTEADS

AND BEDDING, MARBLE TOP WASH-

STANDS, LADY'S DESK, TEAKWOOD

WARDROBES with BEVELLED GLASS,

CARPETS, RUGS, PICTURES, a quantity

of CARVED BLACKWOOD WARE, GLASS

AND CROCKERY WARE, &c., &c.;

ALSO

2 ROKK RIFLES and AMMUNITIONS

and a quantity of BOOKS;

AND

One COTTAGE PIANO (in good order

and condition).

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1930.

Intimations.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.